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SUBJECT: AMCIT CANDIDATES FOR UNIDO DIVISION OF POLICY
COORDINATION

REF: VIENNA 2100

1 PEIDER KONZ WELL AND FAVORABLY KNOWN TO DEPT. (IO/EX/IR)
AND HAS IN THE PAST BEEN SUPPORTED BY DEPARTMENT FOR D-2
POSTS IN THE LEGAL FIELD. HE REPORTEDLY ALSO HIGHLY
REGARDED BY ASG GHERAB, UN DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL, BY TARZI,
DIRECTOR OF RECRUITMENT, AND BY OTHERS IN UNNY.

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2. BACKGROUND ON KONZ IS AS FOLLOWS: BORN SWITZERLAND
1927; NATURALIZED U.S. CITIZEN SINCE 1955. EDUCATION
INCLUDES LLB FROM UNIVERSITY OF GENEVA, 1948 AND LLB FROM
GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY, 1957. SINCE 1971 HAS BEEN
DIRECTOR OF UNSDRI AT EQUIVALENT TO D-2 LEVEL. FOCUS OF
WORK IS CROSS-CULTURAL RESEARCH ON CRIME, CRIME PREVENTION
AND CONTROL. FROM 1967-71 WAS VICE-PRESIDENT AND DIRECTOR

FOR ASIA, INTERNATIONAL LEGAL CENTER. FOCUS OF WORK WAS RESEARCH AND OPERATIONAL PROGRAMS ON LAW AND DEVELOPMENT. FROM 1965-1967 PRIVATE LAW PRACTICE, PRIMARILY CORPORATE AND TAX. FROM 1964-1965, SECRETARY OF COUNCIL; HEAD LEGAL SERVICES, OECD, PARIS. FOCUS OF WORK WAS TYPICAL IN-HOUSE

LEGAL COUNSEL ACTIVITIES AS WELL AS ORGANIZATION AND SUPERVISION OF COUNCIL SECRETARIAT. FROM 1954-1961 WAS SENIOR LEGAL OFFICER, IAEA VIENNA CONCERNED WITH INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC LAW AND CONTROLS. FLUENT ENGLISH, FRENCH, GERMAN.

3. RE KONZ'S CAREER EXPERIENCE IN ECONOMIC/INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FIELD, THIS APPEARS LIMITED. WORK FOR PAST 10 YEARS AT UNSDRI AND INTERNATIONAL LEGAL CENTER DID INVOLVE STUDIES OF IMPACT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT ON SOCIAL STRUCTURES AND OF HUMAN RIGHTS/QUALITY OF LIFE IN CONTEXT OF ECONOMIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL CHANGE, BUT THIS HARDLY MAKES HIM A DEVELOPMENT ECONOMIST/MANAGER. EXPERIENCE WITH OECD INCLUDES LEGAL ASPECTS OF INDUSTRIAL OPERATIONS AND FOREIGN INVESTMENTS, BUT THIS RATHER THIN.

4. PLEASE ADVISE KHANE THAT PANEL OF CANDIDATES FOR NAPOLIELLO POST BEING POUCHED FROM WASHINGTON AND THAT USREP WILL BE IN POSITION TO GIVE IT TO HIM IN MATTER OF DAYS. ALSO ADVISE HIM THAT WHILE DEPT. HAS HIGH REGARD FOR KONZ, HIS QUALIFICATIONS FOR POLICY COORDINATION DIVISION ARE VERY WEAK IN OUR OPINION, AND WE CERTAINLY HOPE HE WILL TAKE NO RPT. NO ACTION ON HIS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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